

Chilton, Wisconsin
October 6, 2020

The regular meeting of the Chilton Common Council held in the council chambers at the city hall was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Thomas J. Reinl presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Thomas J. Reinl and Council members Ron Gruett, Mike Goebel, Clayton Thornber, Andrew Deehr, Joe Schoenborn, Peggy Loose, Jon Kragh and Kathy Schmitzer were present at roll call:

Other city officials present were Administrator David DeTroye, Director of Public Works Chris Marx, Police Chief Craig Plehn, Fire Chief Ben Schoenborn and City Attorney Derek McDermott. Also, in attendance, Betty Schilling - Chilton Journal, Rick Jaeckels, Jeff Pagel, Carey Reed and his staffer as well as David Kohls – Delta Publications (virtually).

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Schmitzer, seconded by Thornber and carried to approve the minutes of the council meeting held on September 15, 2020.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

MAYOR: - Thomas Reinl

For planning purposes, the mayor declared that the Community Room at City Hall will remain closed through-out the Holiday Season. It will remain functioning for the daily meal service.

Mayor Reinl also addressed the new order of Governor Evers that will take affect on October 8, 2020. No immediate effect on City services.

Mayor Reinl commended Chief of Police Craig Plehn for the accreditation the department received. The plaque was on display and Chief Plehn described the accreditation for professionalism to the council.

Mayor Reinl also addressed the council of the 2021 budget process and commented that it has progressed smoothly to date. Pieces are still missing in order to complete.

New Street Pole banners were displayed for the council. Two designs with the Chilton Tigers theme were donated by the Chilton Area Chamber of Commerce. 60 banners in total were donated.

Lengthy discussion ensued on the status of City Trick or Treat activities

Motion by Deehr seconded Loose to cancel City wide trick or treating activities.

Roll Call vote: 6 -2 motion carried.

Gruett – aye	Kragh – aye	Loose – aye	Thornber – nay
Schmitzer – nay	Goebel – aye	Deehr – aye	Schoenborn – aye

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: - David DeTroye

- Estrella Povsha started as the Part-time Administrative Assistant on (9/28/2020).

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- General Government meeting (9/28/2020) was very positive. The major unknown remains health care benefits. It is expected that administration will have these figures by 10/15/2020.
- DNR Urban Forestry Grant was submitted in attempt to secure funds for Emerald Ash Borer remediation. \$5,000.00 in matching funds available.
- Strong interest continues for the newly annexed Geiser property. (TID#6). Planning and development will continue to be a strong push for the City for the remainder of 2020 and into 2021.
- Level two appeal letter was sent to the USPS on behalf of the City and the Danes family regarding Dairyland Estates. Still trying to lobby for individual home postal delivery versus consolidated group delivery boxes. City will have answer in 30 days from Regional Director.
- I assisted a team of “City Planners” from the Chilton Area Catholic School. On 9/25/2020 we developed plans on how to properly lay-out, organize and plan for a new city on the moon. We discussed all aspects of administration, public works, infrastructure, zoning and so on. Fun webinar for me and kids.
- Future dates for your information:
 - November 3, 2020 budget presented to council – approval of wage and benefits
 - November 17, 2020 Public Hearing and adoption of 2021 budget.

Financial Report: Moved by Thornber seconded by Loose to approve the city financials.
Voice vote: 8 – 0 motion carried

Operator License: Paige Powers & Dawn Price – both approved by Police Department.
Moved by Deehr seconded by Schmitzer to approve licenses.
Voice vote: 8 – 0 motion carried

Director of Public Works – Chris Marx

- Annual sidewalk replacement program work has been completed as of today. Jim Fischer was awarded the contract.
- DPW crews have started closing the parks in preparation of winter.
- Leaf collection will start the week of the 12th and continue until Thanksgiving (weather permitting)
- Sewer cleaning and hydrant flushing in process
- One major expenditure to report. Failure of a 100-horse motor in the treatment plant needs to be rebuilt. Crews are working to remedy the problem.

Council member Gruett asked DPW Marx if private citizens can utilize concrete services of the contractors. It is determined that they could and would have to coordinate their own efforts.

Fire Chief – Ben Schoenborn

- Fire runs to date are down as compared to last year. 73 YTD
- 1 fire fighter on medical leave, 3 on COVID leave or quarantine, 4 new members started, and department now carries 37 active members
- 2021 budgeting process underway, waiting on grant results for further clarification
- Brat Fry went very well, fundraising complete for 2020
- First responder program is ready to operate, waiting on licensure from the state. Chief is optimistic for a November 1, 2020 start.
- Few expenditures for repairs. \$300 for damaged wheel chocks. \$500 for nozzle repairs. Money has also been spent on replacing outdated fire hoods for the fire fighters.

New Business: Moved by Deehr seconded by Schoenborn to approve the hiring of fire fighter Terrell Pollard. Contingent upon passing pre-employment testing. Approved by Police Department.

Voice vote: 8 – 0 motion carried

Audience Participation:

Jeff Pagel solicited the council on his own behalf to receive a parade in his honor recognizing him as the 2020 State Horseshoe champion. Pagel described his accomplishments and was commended by members of the council. Discussion ensued. Mayor Reinl recommended that the topic be discussed further at a Public Safety Committee Meeting and that we would contact Pagel.

Carey Reed introduced himself and a staffer. Mr. Reed is a Harrison, WI resident and is running for the Circuit Court Judge position in April. He distributed informational flyers for the council and audience.

Committee Reports:

Culture & Recreation: Chairman Gruett commented that the committee minutes were thorough and did not need to be reviewed. Only hi-lighted the future activities and planning for the VFW memorial. It encompasses some repairs and the placing of a new stone for additional space.

General Government: Chairman Thornber gave a general overview of the committee meetings minutes, giving mention to the efforts of staff regarding the budgeting process. Only missing piece remaining is the unknown values of health insurance. Thornber did mention the line item was calculated with a 15% increase for the time being. Thornber also did a brief update regarding the progress at the Chilton Plating facility and CDBG funding.

Discussion ensued on the sale of city-owned lots 3-6 on Field Lane (TID#6).

Administrator DeTroye gave the background information on the property and the premise of the sale.

Motion by Deehr, seconded by Schmitzer to approve the sale of lots 3-6 on Field Lane to

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VanWychen Construction LLC with the following contingencies.

- Developer purchases all four of the lots up front totaling \$70,000.00
- \$2,500 per lot be refunded to developer when occupancy permit is granted.
- Council allows for a four-year timeline to complete all four houses in the development at a minimum of 1 house per year and will purchase the lots back from the developer if not completed in the timeframe. The first house needing to be constructed prior to December 31, 2021.

Roll Call vote: 8 0 motion carried.

Gruett – aye	Kragh – aye	Loose – aye	Thornber – aye
Schmitzer – aye	Goebel – aye	Deehr – aye	Schoenborn – aye

New Business: Moved by Thornber, seconded by Schoenborn to approve Resolution # 1840 approving the jurisdictional transfer of North State Street.

Roll Call vote: 8 0 motion carried.

Gruett – aye	Kragh – aye	Loose – aye	Thornber – aye
Schmitzer – aye	Goebel – aye	Deehr – aye	Schoenborn – aye

Communication:

Council Members received the month of September Building/Plumbing Report

Council members received a copy of the Library Board meeting minutes dated 9/14/2020

Council members received a copy of the staff meeting minutes dated 9/29/2020

Payment of Bills: Moved by Thornber, seconded by Loose to pay all bills.

Voice vote: 8 – 0 motion carried

Adjournment: Moved by Loose, seconded by Schmitzer to adjourn at 7:17 P.M.

Voice vote: 8 – 0 motion carried

David DeTroye

City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer